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Attention: Sue Kiser

Attention: Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is transmitting the following amendment to the California 2010/11 – 2013/14 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) for your approval. This amendment modifies eleven existing projects and adds six new projects in the rural, non-Metropolitan Planning Organization portion of the state. American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) funds are also modified in this amendment.

No. Description

1 State and Local Elements

- Diener Drive to Route 281 Expressway Upgrade. This amendment programs high priority program and demonstration program totaling \$1,250,000 for the preliminary engineering phase in Fiscal Year (FY) 2010/11.
- State Highway Operation and Protection Program. Adds three projects totaling \$9,510,000 to the Collision Reduction grouped project listing and three projects totaling \$126,055,000 to the Roadway Preservation grouped project listing.
- Flores Avenue Project (Near Proberta on Flores Avenue from Route 99 to Route 5. Programs Demonstration Program funds totaling \$1,443,000.
- Grouped Project for Bike/Pedestrian Facilities. Adds two new projects totaling \$570,000 to the grouped project listing.

- Retrofit on pollution emitting diesel engine project. Federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program funds on this project in FY 2010/11 are increased to 100 percent of the total project cost as allowed under Caltrans Toll Credit Use Policy.
- Highway Bridge Program. Modifies funding on three existing bridge projects and adds one new bridge project totaling \$1,625,000.
 Modifies funding on the Grouped Project for Bridge Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Local, totaling a net increase of \$46,729,000.
- State Route 89/Union Pacific Railroad Grade Separation widening project. Adds \$356,000 of Transportation, Community, System Preservation Program funds to the preliminary engineering phase of this project.

Transit Elements

- ARRA Federal Railroad Administration. Programs three new projects totaling \$140,000,000 in FFY 2010/11. Programs a new Grouped Project for Planning Studies. This grouped project listing includes three projects totaling \$2,100,000.
- Grouped Project for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5316 Job Access Reverse Commute Program. Adds four new projects totaling \$319,000 to the existing grouped project listing.

See Enclosure

I am also recommending that the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and FTA approve this Amendment No. 1 for inclusion into California's 2011 FSTIP.

Based upon correspondence from FHWA dated May 27, 2008, projects in non-metropolitan isolated non-attainment areas of the State do not need to meet project conformity to be included in the FSTIP. However, such projects must comply with project level conformity requirements when a Federal action such as a National Environmental Protection Agency decision or obligation of funds, is taken on the project.

This amendment was made available for public review and comment from December 21, 2010 to January 4, 2011. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the 2011 FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis. An updated financial summary table is provided for this amendment. In addition, there are no projects in this amendment that are included in any

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other amendment that is currently open for public review.

Projects included in this amendment in fiscal years beyond the four-year cycle of the current FSTIP, are not approved as part of this FTIP amendment and are for information only. These projects are included and submitted by Caltrans through the California Transportation Improvement Program System.

Please note that the approval of this amendment does not constitute an eligibility determination for the projects that are federally funded.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Lima Huy of my staff, at (916) 651-7411.

Sincerely,

RACHEL FALSETTI, Chief

Division of Transportation Programming

Enclosures

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